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*Danizick, July* 10.

THE King and Queen of *Poland* are at present at *Marienbourg* not far from hence, and on Thursday next their Majesties are expected here, for whose reception very great preparations are making. From *Moscovy* we have advice, that there still continued great disorders at that Court; that he who was not long since the great Favourite, was banished, his Goods and Estate seized, and all his Friends and Relations put out of the employments they had obtained by his means; that at *Mosco* the great apprehensions were of a War with the *Ottomans*.

*Ditto, July* 17. Great preparations are making here for the reception of the King of *Poland*, who is expected the 22 instant, and from hence it is said he intends to pass to *Paulski*. The Diet in *Prussia* is ended with the satisfaction of all Parties. This day the *Dutch* Merchantmen, under the Convoy of the Sieur *Bastiaens*, arrived safe here from *Holland*, and will, to morrow, sail again towards *Denmark*.

*Naples, July* 6. Our Viceroy, the Marquis *de los Velez*, has remitted 10000 Ducats to *Porto-Longone*, to be distributed among the Soldiers designed for *Sicily*, and has sent 8 Tartans with 700 Soldiers, Provisions, and Materials for shipping, to repair the ships at *Melazzo*, where 7 Men of War are arrived with 3000 Soldiers. The Mareschal *de Vivonne* having left his Army in the Neighborhood of *Taormina*, is returned to *Messina*, to take a review of the Troops sent by the last ships from *France*. The 25 past 12 ships were seen off of the Island of *Ischia*, being, as is said, appointed to go and convoy the Gallies that have continued so long at *Civita Vecchia*.

*Legorn, July* 12. Yesterday we received Letters from *Palermo* of the 2d instant, which bring advice of the arrival there of the Duke of *Bournonville*, and 7 ships, *viz.* 3 *Spanish* Gallions, carrying between 70 and 80 Guns, a ship of *Biscay*, 2 *Dutch* Men of War called the *St. Philip* and *Golden Lyon*, and a *Hamburger*, with these ships arrived likewise 2000 Land Soldiers, and more are in a short time expected from *Milan*. The *French* have in the Port of *Messina* 24 Ships, and 14 Gallies and Galliasses, 7 of which are to return suddenly to *France*, to bring more Provisions from thence, of which they are in great want, by the waste and spoils committed near that place. Yesterday two of the *French* Men of War, that have been for some time Cruising in the *Gulf of Lyons*, with design to intercept the *Spanish* Succors from *Barcelona*, put in here. Two dayes ago all the *French* Gallies, except two sailed from *Civita Vecchia*; they have lost 250 Men in the Gally that hapned to be accidentally burnt the day before in that Port.

*From the Camp before* Stetin, *July* 19. On the 17 instant the Besieged manned out several small Boats with 500 men, commanded by Captain *Vander Noot*, with which he attacked and took *Dam*, which was defended by a *Brandenburg* Captain and 140 men, but advancing too far, and meeting with a Party, was forced to retire into the Town with some loss. The same day in the afternoon the *Suedes* quitted the *Block-huys*, and the next morning the *Tol-Schans*, which places they set fire to, and removed the Bridge of Boats, to oblige us to build another, to which purpose several Materials are already prepared, to render the communication between our Camp and the Garison of *Dam* more easie.

*Ditto.* His Electoral Highness having caused a Bridge to be laid over the *Oder*, and a passage to be made through the Wood on the Moras as far as the *Tol-Schans*, the Besieged sent a strong Party out of the Town, who early the next morning attacked *Dam*, which they were forced to leave, after having been some hours in possession of it. In this Action were killed about 25 common Soldiers, besides one Captain, a Major, and several that are dangerously wounded, who, according to the report of our Prisoners, were carried in four Boats into the Town. After which, Major General *Swerin* attacked *Block-huys*, and took it, and after having removed the Guns in the place, set fire to it. The next day the said Major attacked the *Tol-Schans*, which the *Swedish* Commander finding himself not able to defend, removed all the great Guns out of the place, and in his retreat set fire to the Bridge, which was presently quenched, and the Post taken in by the Major.

*Copenhagen, July* 24. From *Norway* they write, that the Sieur *Guldenlieu* is busie in fortifying *Bedewalt*, the greatest part of his Army being in the mean time encamped near *Maestrant* in the Island of *Kore*. From *Schonen* we hear, that his Majesty, after having left some Troops to block up *Malmoe*, marched with the rest of his Army towards *Renneburg*, which the *Suedes* observing, marched likewise, and encamped over against his Majesty, between *Tumrop* and *Nyholle*, so that the Armies being not above half a League from each other, several Skirmishes are said to have passed between them, and the *Danes* Baggage is sent to *Landscroon*.

*Postscript.* At the closing of this Letter arrives a Courier from our Army, with the News of the two Armies having begun to march against each other, and that to morrow we may expect to hear of a Battel having been fought between them. The same Courier brings advice likewise, That the Sieur *Guldenlieu* was posted with his Army between *Gottenburg* and *Maestrant*, having blocked up the first place, and actually besieged the latter. The *Suedish* Fleet is put to Sea again, and Admiral *Tromp* uses all diligence for the speedy refitting of ours, which will be reinforced with 8 new ships, not yet finished, and the Squadron arrived from *Holland*, after which they will lose no time to go and find out the Enemy.

*Elsenaur July* 24 All last night and this day we have heard great shooting in *Schonen*, which makes us believe the two Armies are engaged, and this morning we discerned two great Fires, which yet are thought to be no more than two Villages, which may have been burnt by Parties. Lieutenant Admiral *Tromp* and the Sieur *Bastiaens* are come to *Copenhagen*. Here are at present 60 ships in Port bound for several Parts, expecting a Convoy home; and this day is arrived a ship from

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